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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

- 1-3. (Cancelled)
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 15 wherein the polypeptide SEQ ID NO: 3 is synthesized synthetic.
- 5-10. (Cancelled)
11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 wherein the polypeptide SEQ ID NO: 3 is taken from a globular domain repeat within a laminin A chain.
- 12-14. (Cancelled)
15. (Currently Amended) A method for inhibiting or reducing beta-amyloid protein fibril formation, deposition or accumulation in vitro, the method comprising administering to an in vitro a cell culture containing beta-amyloid protein, an effective amount of a polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 3, the amount administered effective for the inhibition or reduction of the beta-amyloid protein fibril formation, deposition or accumulation, as compared to cell culture containing beta-amyloid protein in absence of polypeptide SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 16-19. (Cancelled)
20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the polypeptide is taken from a 4<sup>th</sup> globular domain repeat of human A chain laminin.
- 21-28. (Cancelled)